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Part B. for July 191

SUBJECT.

Irregularities in the Stamps manufactory and the dismissal of Supervisor A. Srinivasangar in connection therewith

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From the Comptroller no. 6927/compl. 9 dt. 5 14

forwards for information copy of his letter no 6926 dt. compl. 8 to the Com. of Stamps reporting a case of serious irregularity in the Stam

To the Commissioner of Stamps no. 7C 5748 dt. 2.5 14

Requests him to submit as early report after comple the necessary enquiries in the matter

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From The Commissioner of Stamps. no. 601 & 5.5.14

States that the subject is receiving his attention and after necessary enquiries are made a report will be submitted

From The Commissioner of Stamps no. 635 & 30.5.14.

Submits his report on the irregularities referred to in Sl. 1

To the Commissioner of Stamps
D. G. of Police
Comptroller
} no. F 347-49 & 27.7.14

Passes orders in regard to the irregularities in question and directs the dismissal from service of Srinivasangar Supervisor and the recovery from him of Rs 72 practically is appropriated by him Also directs that the services of Tatachar in the Stamp manufactory should be dispensed with & he be reverted to the Police Dept of the D.G. of Police sees no objection and that Store Keeper Ramasesharam should be warned as his conduct is not free from suspicion

To the Commissioner of Stamps
D.O. no F 357 & 29.7.14

Returns the two pay abstract books of the Stamp manufactory received with his D.O. letter no 640 & 1.6.14 and requests an acknowledgment

To the Com of Stamps
D.G. of Police
Comptroller
} D.O. no F 437-9 & 30.7.14

States that the office copy of the G.O. of 27 contains the clerical error '26th Nov 1914' for '26th Nov 1912' and requests that the error if repeated in the copy issued to him may be revised

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FILE HEADING.

Irregularities in the Stamp manufactory

From Comptroller to Government

No. 6927 cong[s] 1 Dated 1.5.14 Received 1.5.14

Diary No. 4412 | Enclos. 6. Spare Copies. | Serial No. 1

BRIEF ABSTRACT OF LETTER.

Forwards, for information, copy of his letter no 6926, dy 29.4.1 cong[s] 8

[illegible] Stamps reporting a case of serious irregularity which

NOTES AND ORDERS.

Secretary's order on the letter:-

Call for vers early repat after

Completing the enquiry Jd. D.M.N

Subd with a draft to the Com[r] of Stamps

Asst 1.5 Secy 2/5

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601 5-5-14

State that Govt. helped in Telegram

to be submitted

Submitted for perusa the further report will be awaited

ADC JW 10/5 7/5

Yes Hon 9/5

Hands See my remarks on the first paper under disposal. I wanted a draft. Cost a communication has been issued by the office without reference to me on 2/5/14 I had intended to submit the case to the First member the omission in question may be explained & the file resubmitted before tomorrow

Dewan 11/5

(Vide explanation within Note below): The explanation is unsatisfactory. Such mistakes should be avoided. Dewan 12/5

SN 11-5-14 Sec M 7. For kind perusal

First member)

Dewan Rao 12/5

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12/5/14 Hon 12/5

REPLY.

To be written on this margin.

Office of the Dewan of Mysore.

NOTE

Dated.....7th..May...c.....*191* 4

Anonymous Petition dated 5th May 1914 bringing to light certain irregularities in the Stamp Manufactory at Bangalore

10 This may kindly be handed over the First Member of Council

Secretary to Govt.
Gen. & Rev. Deptts. 7.5.14

Roc 9/5 4 pm Peon 9/5

First Member) The file is separately submitted today Peon 11/5

12 Seen. Note may be placed in the file (Sealed file the final report is received).

14/5/14

13. C.S. do this report forwarding in the file Peon 13/5

Subs - Attended to The sealed cover is tagged herewith along with the notes

VS 13.5.14

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From the Comr of Stamps

No 635 dt 30-5-14

Submits his report on the irregularities referred to in Secrett's

15. The acquittance roll connected with the case has not been submitted The Secy has already called for it by a D.C. His receipt will be awaited

Rm 2/6

16) Please keep this with you & note on this & the charge made ~~at~~ after the A. Roll is received

Draw 1/6

17) The facts of the case are as follows

On the 25th May 1912 A Srinivasa Iyengar Supervisor of the Stamp Manufactory got one Jatadhar, a Constable of the Nelamangala Taluk Office doing duty ~~there~~ at Bangalore, appointed as Mutchi and Bookbinder of the Stamp Manufactory. This Jatadhar worked in the Supervisor's house ~~and~~ ~~of office~~ from the 25th May 1912 up to April 1914, and his pay was disbursed both in the Police dept and in the Manufactory. On a reference from the Nelamangala Office, ~~Jatadhar~~ was formally transferred there on the 25th Novr 1912

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and was given his passport and Last Pay Certificate

18) This irregularity was noticed in the Comptroller's office on the 18th April 1914, and in the course of the subsequent enquiry, it was also been suspected that the attestation against Tatachari's name in the Acquittance roll of the Stamp Manufactory has been forged, and that he did not receive his pay from the Manufactory prior to 26th Nov 1912 though it was being drawn since 25th May 1911

19) The several points arising for Consideration may be stated as hereunder:

1. Was the pay drawn in the name of Tatachari between 26th May 1912 and 25th Nov 1912, did the duties of the Manufactory disbursed to him or not?

2. Does the attestation in the Acquittance roll amount to forgery?

3. Was the Superviser aware of Tatachari's appointment in the Police Dept on the 25th May 1912

4. Was he right in keeping a

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Mutchi as his home Orderly

P.W.D I

Points 1 + 2. The Comptrollers report merely raises these issues and does not answer them. The Ex Cmn has not recorded any finding on these issues, as a result of the departmental enquiry

these two issues are the most Serious ones, it is necessary to discuss the available evidence and the probabilities at length

P.W.D

Mr's Suspicion that Tatachar did not receive pay from the Manufactory between 26th May 1912 & 28th Nov 1912 is based purely and wholly on her own Statement

Tatachar admits that he was working in Srinivasa Aiyangar's house morning and evening and some time till late at night. He further used to bring the Superior's tiffin even when he was working in the Dist. Police Superintendent's office. He has humbly stated that the Superior was a new acquaintance of his and that he exchanged word

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with him for the first time only in May 191
2(1) It is indeed remarkable that Jatachan
should have taken so flatteringly unduly
towards the Supervisor as to work in his
house early in the morning and till late
at night merely on the hopes of future
advancement, as he alleges, and
want Govt to believe. He no doubt
gives colour to his story by saying that
he was ~~[illegible]~~ occasionally given
some clothes etc but it appears incredible
that a Constable who was wholly
independent of the Supervisor should
have worked so hard and be satisfied with
so little

The only circumstance on which
he relies for support of his statement
is his own ~~his~~ assertion that the Canarese
Signature in the Acquittance roll is not his
and that he always signs in English
Neither the Comptroller's report nor that
of the Ex Com states whether this state
ment was verified and whether the
Signatures in the Acquittance Roll
with Jatachan's Signature in his
Police Capacity or with his hand
writing in general

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Even granting that the Canarese Signature was written up by another, it does not appear to be anything more than a convenient arrangement as to Tatachari's employment at the Superviser's house For it not merely the acquittances given during the disputed period that bear the allegedly forged signature but even those for subsequent months up to Nov^{r} 1913 during which period Tatachari admits he received his pay regularly

between flags A + B.

flags B + H

It is therefore clear that Tatachari's statement is not merely highly improbable but that his theory contains its own condemnation

Judging from the above, therefore it stands to reason to conclude that Tatachari received his pay from the Manufactory regularly from the 2nd May 1912 It therefore follows that even if the Canarese signature in the acquittance roll is not his (which is by no means proved) there has been no forgery, as there has been an absence of intention

It may be remarked in passing

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that Tatachar had no motive to ~~say~~ ~~good~~ any thing but the truth as regards his previous services in the Police and that ~~therefore~~ it does not follow from the truthful character of these statements that the rest of his statement ~~is~~ also true. For he had a direct interest in disclaiming ~~the~~ receipt of pay ~~remuneration~~ from the Manufactory prior to 25th Nov 1912 as in case he had accepted it he would have liable to prosecution under the Police Regn for desertion respect of proper duty etc

Was Srinivasa Aiyangar aware 25th May 1912 of Tatachar's appointment in the Police Dept

Both the Comptroller and the Ex Com^r appear to answer the question in the affirmative and Srinivasa Aiyangar himself has not given an emphatic negative in reply His prevaricating ~~replies~~ ~~Statements~~ before the Officers the issue of the Yadi to the Police Supdt for transfer of Tatachar's services (vide Comptroller's letter para 2 (C)) the non-inclusion

Signatures

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of the last Pay Certificate in the Establishment bill of the Manufactory for Nov^{r} 1912 and the missing of the pages relating to the Correspondence in the Issue & Receipt Registers of that Office all point to the same Conclusion

4. Issuing Matches as Home orderly

Was no doubt irregular but in this Case Srinivasa Iyengar has erred in Common with Several Others and the Supdt has to share the blame as he did not object to

now measures to apportion the responsibility for the irregularity among the Several Offices and Officials

Supervise

Srinivasa Aiyengar has in effect employed Tactachar as his personal Servant and instead of paying him from his pocket Pay has been paid by Govt and has incidentally further Simultaneously abetted the violation of the rule against holding of plurality of Salaried Office

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He has probably also tampered with the From and To Registers but this is not proved and he cannot be held answerable for it unless it is brought against him

He must be compelled to make good to Govt Rs 72/- which was irregularly drawn from the Treasury

3) It is a question whether a very heavy fine in addition or deduction and change of office will not sufficiently meet the needs of discipline

4) K. Narasimha Anjaneya Case Asst Head Clerk after Shimoga DC office was punished by the withholding of a portion of his pension for a more serious irregularity of the same kind i.e getting Drawing pay Getting his son-in-law appointed in Shimoga, and drawing his pay while he was all along working in the Hole Narsipur Munsiff's Court & drawing pay there

2 attachar

If the view arrived at in the above notes be accepted, he may either be dismissed and reduced to a post on Rs 65

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3 - Storekeeper

There is no charge against him against the improved one of probably writing up Tatachari's signature instead of signing for him

The Ex Com'n recommendation may be adopted

4. Superintendent

Mr Yates does not appear to come in for any portion of the blame, at all. The Ex Com'n proposal about Mr Ramachandra Mudaliar is as per the orders of Govt.

5 - (39) Audit Office

The audit office noticed the irregularity after a lapse of over a year & 8 months. There is no satisfactory Audit should be more prompt

It is not known if the this discovery was made in the course of audit or if it was made only help of outside information. If the latter be the case audit procedure may require improvement

Sub to for orders

Asst 8/6

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The circumstantial evidence strongly points to the conclusion that the Supervisor employed Thathachar knowing that he was in active Police employ otherwise would be difficult to explain away many circumstance

42) It fairly well established that Thathachar did not generally receive the pay personally in the office during the period in question. The Store Keeper Thathachar & the Supervisor indirectly prove this.

The employment of Thathachar for private purposes argues a certain degree of previous acquaintanceship between the Supervisor & Thathachar.
It is hard to believe that the Supervisor could have remained ignorant of Thathachar attending the Police office in the afternoons regularly which fact is clearly established by independent evidence And then there is the loss of a few pages of the Registers It to be remembered It occurred after the trouble arose

43) At the same time it is not easy to believe that the Supervisor who is in well to do circumstances misappropriated the pay of Thathachar during the period

The Supervisor's conduct seems to deserve censure for having unauthorisedly employed a Peon for his private purposes having entertained a man in actual service elsewhere and allowed other irregularities regard to the payment of his pay

The Store Keeper first said he had written Thathachars name the Acquittance Roll

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This is probably true as Thathachar who seems to be clever would not have signed the Roll having been in active service in the Police Dept Also that Thathachar did not sign the Roll follows from the general trend of the Store Keeper's Witness Of course after reflection the Store Keeper realized the seriousness of his Statement that he wrote Thathachar's name and deposed that it was not true But that he was induced to make it by the Asst Supt There is no proof for the second Statement & the Asst Supt could have had little motive for taking upon himself such a serious responsibility The second statement of the Store Keeper seems to me to be an after thought

47) The appointment of Thathachar as Mutchi was sanctioned by Mr Yates the Supervisor misused him. With adequate vigilance the Asst Supt could probably have detected the real State of things but it was by no means easy to do so An officer who is busily engaged naturally finds it hard to carry his vigilance to such extreme minute points as the one in question

First Accused

Duraiyappa Rao
18/6

4 About Scavenger

The serious charge of misappropriating the Mutchis pay between May and November

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cannot be true and the denial of Tatachar can have very little weight. But that Srinivasiengar knew that Tatachar was employed in the Police Department has been admitted by him He says he believed that Tatachar was on leave all the time. This is most improbable and it is difficult to believe that he did not know that Tatachar was drawing pay in the Police. Reading the statements of Tatachar and Srinivasiengar together, the fact appears to be that Tatachar while in the Police office was taken on to do work under the supervisor in his odd hours. Instead of paying him some remuneration from his own funds, the Supervisor seems to have hit on the plan of entering him as Mutchi in the office. If this had been done with Tatachar's consent the latter would

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certainly have signed the acquittance rolls himself. The Supervisor probably thought that he was doing no serious injury to any one as he was by ~~practice~~ custom entitled to have a personal orderly. This amounts to misappropriation and it would not be by any means heavy punishment to dismiss Srinivasaraghavan from Service. He must also refund Rs 72/- to Govt. ~~As for Patachar~~. The Engineer has been departmental If on that account, ~~he~~ Srinivasaraghavan asks for an open enquiry or trial, he may be given the chance. I shall however have no objection on account of his father's position, Srinivasaraghavan is given a chance of resigning his appointment, then I must say that ~~I do not~~ there is not much difference between such resignation

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and a dismissal ~~I~~

I do not think that any thing serious has been made out against Tatachar, but it is inexpedient to retain him in ~~this office~~ the present place. He may be sent back to the Police Department or if he is not wanted there, given a place in the manufactory on his former pay -

(2) The store Keeper may be warned as recommended by the stamp Commissioner

Please draft an order to this effect & issue after obtaining the Dewan's approval

30/6/14

30/6/14 Draft 1/7 (in the Council Secty)

Asst Secy will kindly draft a G.O. accordingly & bring up to me in pe.

Draft 2/7

Roc 3/7

Sd/- Illegible person

4/7/14

Secy)

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S.R 158-13

Extract from the Proceedings of the 325th Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Bangalore on the 16th July 1914.

SUBJECT (Clause v of the Schedule)

Irregularity in the Stamp Manufactory

OPINION COUNCIL

The Council is of the following opinion

(i) That Srinivasiengar be dismissed from his post as Supervisor and directed to refund to Government Rs 72 which has been practically misappropriated by him

(ii) That Tatachar's service in the Stamp Manufactory be dispensed with and that he be reverted to the Police Department, if on a consideration of his case t h Inspector General sees no objection to this course

(iii) That as the conduct of Store-keeper C.Ramasesha iya in the present case is not free from suspicion he be warned that if there be anything against him in future, his claims to pension would be seriously af fected.

Sd M. Visvesvaraya
Dewan of Mysore

Extract
D. M. Narasinga Rao.
Offg. Secretary to Go

Submitted to His Highness.

With his letter dated the 1st May 1914 the Com troller forwarded to Gov_ernment a copy of the letter address ed by him to the Stamp Commissioner bringing to notice cer tain serious irregularities which had occurred in the Govern ment Stamp Manufactory The Stamp Commissioner was thereupon requested to submit a very early report in the matter after due enquiry He accordingly held a departmental enquiry and submitted a detailed report on the 30th May 1914

2 The facts of the case are briefly as follow

On the 25th May 1912, the Superintendent of the S Manufactory approved of the appointment of one Tatachar a constable of the Nelamangala Taluk Police doing duty in the District Police Office at Bangalore as Mutchi and book-binder in the Stamp Manufactory at the suggestion of A Sreenivasa Iyengar the Supervisor of the Manufactory Up to the 25th November 1912 Tatachar was borne on both the establishments and the Acquittance rolls show that pay was disbursed in both the places Tatachar was formally transferred to the Stamp Manufactory only on the 25th November 1912 on a referen made at the instance of the Supervisor.

The irregularity was noticed in the Comptroller's Office on the 18th April 1914 and in the course of the departmental enquiry which followed Tatachar denied the receipt of pay as Mutchi and book-binder and also the genuineness of his alleged signatures in the Acquittance rolls of the Stamp Manufactory He stated that prior to the 26th November 1912 he had been receiving only occasional presents from Srinivasa Iyengar for domestic services rendered to him

3 The Stamp Commissioner has arrived at the following conclusions

(a) The Supervisor has proved himself to be unreliable and untrustworthy, and as such, he is unfit to hold his present responsible charge. In view of his high family connection, he recommends that Srinivasa Iyengar may be called upon to submit his resignation and that it may be accepted by Governmen

(b) The Store-keeper may be transferred to the Stamp De partment with a warning that if there shoul be anything against him in future would affect his pension.

(c) Tatachar may be reverted to the Police Department

4 The matter was considered at the meeting of the Council held on the 16th July 1914 and the opinion formed as follows

The serious charge against Srinivasa Iyengar tha he misappropriated the amount in question for his own purp appears to be improbable. But the enquiry shews that Srini vasa Iyengar knew of Tatachar's active employment in the Police Department during this period, and that therefore hi explanation that he believed Tatachar to be on leave all th time is quite unacceptable. The statements of Tatachar and Srinivasa Iyengar read together make it clear that Tatacha while in the Police Office was taken on to do private work for the Supervisor and that instead of remunerating Tatach for such services out of his private funds, the Supervisor employed the objectionable expedient of entering him as a Mutchi of the office. The Council therefore recommend

(i) That Srinivasa Iyengar be dismissed from his post as Supervisor and directed to refund to Gove ment the sum of Rs. 72 which has been practi ly misappropriated by him

(ii) That Tatachar's service in the Stamp Manufactory dispensed with and that he be reverted to th

Police Department, if on a consideration of his case, the Inspector General sees no objection to this course

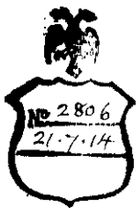
(iii) That as the conduct of Store-keeper, C Ramasesh ayya in the present case is not free from suspicion, he be warned that if there be any thing against him in future his claims to pension would be seriously affected

5 The Council consider it inexpedient to show any concession to the Supervisor on family considerations in a case where his guilt has been thoroughly established

6 In these circumstances, the recommendation of the Council may be approved by His Highness.

A. Nimmo
21st July 14

Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja



Subject.

64 Serious irregularities in the Government Stamp Manufactory at Bangalore and recommendations of the Council thereon.

Order.

65 ~~KRW~~
24/7/14

66 Sankey
27.7 RG

~~29~~/30/7/14

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C. 37
20-7-14

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A draft Submission Note is put up in accordance with the opinion of the Council
Dewan

Dewan of Law
20/7

Due the answer today & return this. Note the names of the addresses in the draft approved in the Council

Dewan
27/7
KR
27/7/14

Council of [illegible] dated [illegible]
No. H.S.W. 9 27-7-14.

[illegible] order in respect of [illegible] the stamps be transferred and [illegible] Division of [illegible] Secretariat, in charge of the [illegible] stamps hereafter and the receipt from [illegible] of Stamps indented for by [illegible] Vakeelas [illegible] Stamps transferred by them [illegible] with [illegible] to the Public Accounts [illegible] Office [illegible] Vakeelas [illegible]

69 A draft D.O. returning the 2 Pay Abstract Books the the Supt of Stamps is herewith subd
KRN
29/7/14

Issue

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ON MYSORE GOVERNMENT SERVICE.

Confidential

1. Anonymous petition dt 5-5-14

2 D O dt 11 7-14 from Rajakarya Pravina Rao Bahadur Mr A Rangaswamy Iyengar

3. Formal note

4. D.O dt 21-7-14 from the Dewan to the Private Secretary to H H the Maharaja

5 D O no. 1956 dt 29 7 14 from the Dewan to Mr A Rangaswamy Iyengar

Secretary to Govt., & Rev. Departments.

Sir Seshadri Iyer Aiyangar
Chairman

DEWAN'S OFFICE.
Date of Receipt 7.5.14
Petn. Regr. No. 2971

...swarayya Esq., C.I.E.
Dewan of Mysore.

Respected Sir

Re the stamp manufacturing office

Narayaniengar is the leader under whose instructions Receipt stamps would be purloined by the Foreman who prints them and the sale proceeds would be utilised in drink among three persons wit Foreman Mariadoss Pillay and himself in justice to the saying Ill got Ill spent

Narayaniengar has been the writer of all the anonymous letters to authorities against Srinivas Iyengar Supervisor who therefore had arranged confidentially with the Superintendent to get rid of him from the office Papers relating to the arrangement were in Srinivas Iyengar's table On a certain day Srinivas Iyengar forgetfully left his key in the lock and had gone to roam about the Park. Narayaniengar taking advantage of Srinivas Iyengar absence pulled out the unlocked drawer in which he found the confidential papers which he read and put them back. From this day Narayaniengar cherished ill feeling against Srinivas Iyengar It is he that has brought to light what has taken place purporting Tatachar the Police Department to have drawn Tatachar's pay in the Stamp Manufacturing Office Establishment Pay Bills

Tatachar signs his name in English but Ramaseshia has forged his name in Kanarese and drawn pay for Tatachar for three years. Both Srinivas Iyengar and Ramaseshia are implicated while the other members of the Establishment are perfectly aware of the bare-faced embezzlement.

Srinivas Iyengar would encourge all his assistants who are a set of rascals in their villainies with the result that a rope is brought around his neck.

Yours obediently

An Observer

5th May 1914.

DAYASADAN,
BANGALORE CITY.

Mysore
July 11 1914

My dear Sir

am loath to trouble
you in a personal matter
but have no help for it
as I am losing my peace of
mind

A case of irregularity in the
soap manufactory in which
you also is implicated
before Government and

I am informed that if
his case should be judged
favourably his prospects might
be ruined for life. As the
enquiries were conducted
confidentially, I am not in
possession of the actual
facts in detail as brought
out in the enquiries and
do not know how blame
worthy my son may be
If however the matter be
one in which it is open to
you to exercise some discretion
I venture to bespeak
your sympathy in his
behalf and to hope that
you will be able to give
him a chance of continuing
in Service and thus save my
name from unnecessary
disgrace.

I know such strong
representations have not to

ble to establish any

[illegible] from [illegible]

your hands be

I may ask

as one that has

the State long &

[illegible] some distraction

I have come in person

some urgent business

keeping me here

& then expected from [illegible]

& this regard by letter

Yours sincerely

A Rangaswamy Iyengar

[illegible]

On Mysore Government Service.

M. VISVESVARAYA, Esq., C.I.E.,

Dewan of Mysore

Bangalore

Private Secretary to
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

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The Govt-order about the immovable articles in the Stamps Manufactory has issued

A draft reply to Mr. Ry. Rangaswamy Iyengar suggested for consideration

Dewan 28/7

Dewan

A reply to Mr Rangaswamy Iyengar's letter has been issued and the file is returned

29/7

The draft of a letter issued to the Private Secretaries to H.H. on the 21st ult. is as follows

29.7.14

* D.O. No. 195-B 29.7.14 put up herewith

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Bangalore
29 July 14

1956

To

Rajakanya Kaveri
Angaswamy Iyengar
Retd Rev Comr

I duly
received your letter
the July regarding your
sons case It came in
good time but am
sorry

and render
help in the matter

Your letter was
also duly submitted to
H H In these circumstances
I can only express my
sincere sympathy with you in
the misfortune that has

Yours sincerely

29.7.14 AG
Devan

Encl as

read
1.7.14.

To

R H Campbell Esq
Private Secretary
to H H the Maharaja
of Mysore

My dear Sir

I forward
herewith for the consideration
of His Highness a letter
from Mr A Rangaswamy
Iyengar Ret Revenue
Commissioner regarding the
case of irregularity in
the Stamp Manufactory in
which his son implicated

The case has
been considered on ~~the~~ its
merits by the Council
and their opinion has
been recorded in the
~~Submissions~~ Note herewith ~~separately~~
Submitted for H H's ~~orders~~

~~The~~ It is no
doubt a sad case but
~~in view of~~ Minute by the facts
elicited at the departmental

enquiry do not
see how any other
decision than the
recorded by the Coroner
can be arrived at

Tom

21.7.14

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OFFICE OF THE ~~INSPECTOR-GENERAL~~ STAMPS OF ~~REGISTRATION~~ IN MYSORE

Bangalore 29. 7

Dear Ramaiah

Thanks for the two Pay Abstract Books of the Stamp Manufactory returned me Cover of June 28 to be kept to H of $\frac{28}{29}$

Yours sincerely

P. Rajashekara Shivaratri

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General and Revenue Secretariat.

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D. O.

Commissioner
OFFICE OF THE ~~INSPECTOR-GENERAL~~ Stamp
OF ~~REGISTRATION~~ IN MYSORE.

Bangalore, 31. 7. 1914

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Rao Ramachar

Yam letter No 7L437 of yesterday's date The error was detected in this office immediately on receipt of the cancelled and in the copy which issued from the information & guidance of the Superintendent of the Steam & Manufacture as chipped and

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Yours sincerely

Phil Churchill Vla

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No. 6927
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Enclosures.- Six with two annexures

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER, MYSORE GOVERNMENT,

Dated Bangalore, the 1st May *191* 4.

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FROM

Diwan Bahadur
J S CHAKRAVARTI, ESQ., M. A.,
F. R. A. S., ETC.,
Comptroller to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Mysor

To

.....D.M.Narasinga Rao,.....Esq., B A B L

Offg. *Secretary to the Government of Mysore,*

General and Revenue.....*Departments*

SIR,

I have the honour to forward herewith, for the i

of Government a copy of my letter No. 6926 dated 29th April 1914
Confl. 8

to the Commissioner of Stamps reporting a case of serious irregularity which has occurred in the Government Stamp Manufactory

I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant

J Chakravarti

Comptroller

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.....Department

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FROM

J. S. CHAKRAVARTI, Es

F. R. A. S., ETC.

Comptroller to the Govt. of
H. H. the Maharaja of Mysore.

To

.....Esq.

Secretary to the Govt. of Mysore.

.....Dept.

Dated

Despatched 6 Aug 19

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OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER, MYSORE GOVERNMENT

Dated Bangalore, the 29th April 1914

FROM

J. S. CHAKRAVARTI, ESQ., M.A.,
F.R.A.S., ETC.,
Comptroller to the Government of
His Highness the Maharaja of Myso

To

P. Raghavendra Rao....., Esq., B.A., B.L
Stamp Commissioner in Mysore
.....Bangalore.....

Sir

I have the honor to bring to your notice a serio case of irregularity which has occurred in the Stamp Manufactory In the Establishment Pay bill of the Manufactory for seven months from May 1912 pay was dra on behalf of one Tatachar as acting Mutchi and book binder from 26th May to November 1912 at Rs.12/ per mensem and in the bills of the Nelamangala Taluk Poli and of the Bangalore District Reserve Police pay was drawn on behalf of one bearing the same name as parti cularized in the margin This was noticed by my offi on the 18th Instant On the 20th Instant I wrote to Mr.Yates (copy of my letter is herein enclosed) enqui if the person for whom pay was drawn in the bills of Manufactory and in the bills of the Police department was one and the same individual and if they what t circumstances were in which pay was drawn for the sam period in two different establishments I also point

out to the Superintendent of the Manufactory that in the Establishment Pay bill of the Bangalore District Reserve Police for November 1912 it was stated that Tatachar had been transferred to the Stamp Manufactor on the 26th November 1912 and enquired if a last pay certificate was not granted by the Superintendent of Police, and if it was granted why it was not attached to the Establishment Pay bill of the Manufactory I also wrote on the same date to the Deputy Commissioner Police department, Bangalore (copy of letter enclosed) asking him to have a careful and confidential enquiry made as to where Tatachar was actually working from January to November 1912 and whether a Last Pay Certificate was issued when he was transferred to the Stamp Manufactory The replies of these officers are contained in the marginally noted communications and I forward herewith copies of the same together with a copy of the letter which I again addressed to the Stamp Manufactory indicating the point on which enquiry should be made and information furnished to this office. On receipt of reply to this communicated I sent my assistant Mr T Satyaraj Chetty to the Stamp Manufactory to examine the acquittance rolls, and ascertain who received Tatachar pay from May to November 1912 A further investigation was accordingly made by Mr Yates and Mr Ramachendra Mudr who held charge of the Manufactory for a portion of the period in the presence of Mr Satyaraj Chetty on the 24th Instant

2. I will now state the result of the enquiry at the same time briefly summarizing the facts

(a) An Office Order was passed by Mr.Yates appointing Tatachar in a temporary vacancy in the factory on the 25th May 1912 the date on which Mr.Yates made over charge to Mr Ramachendra Mudaliar

(b) Pay was drawn on behalf of Tatachar from 26th May to 25th November 1912 in the bills of the Stamp Manufactory without his having been formally transferred thereto from the Police depar ment

(c) In November 1912the transfer of his services from the Police department was applied for and he was transferred on the 26th November 1912 The communication from the Manufactory to the Superintendent of Police, Bangalore are as stated by Mr.Yates, who inspected the records in the Police office on the 26th Instant, signed by the supervisor of the Manufactory for the Superintendent, and that officer (Mr.Yates) was not aware of what had passed between the two officesé

(d) In his statement dated 23rd April 1914 the Supervisor alleges that he was not aware in May 1912, when Tatachar was entertained that he was in active police duty, and in the enquir held on the 24th Instant in the presence of my assistan stated that he was under the impression that Tatachar was on leave without allowance

(e) In the acquittance rolls for the period under advertance the name of Tatachar is written in Kanarese in the column for signature Tatachar denies having signed the acquittance roll for the period and in his statement dated 23rd April 1914 he affirms that he has not received any amount from the Stamp Manufactory prior to 26th November 1912

(f) The Store-keeper of the Manufactory who was in immediate charge of the acquittance rolls and in whose presence it has been ascertained the pay of the establishment for the period in question was disbursed stated during the course of the investigation made on the 24th Instant that he was unable to say anything as to the genuineness of the signature in the acquittance rolls as Tatachar at times received pay from him and whenever he did not do so his pay was handed over to the Supervisor A little while after Mr.Satyaraj Chetty left the Manufactory the Store-keeper retracted his statement and told Mr Yates that he himself signed the acquittance roll against

the name of Tatachar at the instance of the Supervisor and tha
he omitted the word for against the signature by mistake
copy of the letter received from Mr Yates by Mr.Satyaraj Cha
is herewith forwarded

(g) The Supervisor who was also questioned on the matter stated that whenever the pay of Tatachar was handed over to him he paid it to the latter

(h) From the answers given to the questions put to the Super visor it was elicited that Tatachar did not work in the Stamp Manufactory during the period referred to but was retained by the Supervisor in his house

(i) The Store-keeper who was in charge of the Attendance Reg ter stated that he inserted the letter (denoting that the per son was present) in the register against the name of Tatachar though he did not attend the Manufactory under the orders of the Supervisor

(j) From the report of the Deputy Commissioner
trict it may be inferred that Tatachar was in Bangalore for most the whole period for which pay was drawn for him in the Stamp Manufactory He was relieved of his duties in the Nela mangala Taluk on the 10th May 1912 was granted privilege leave for one month from 26th July 1912 and transferred from the Taluk to the District Police on the 6th September 1912 The Deputy Commissioner states that it is not ascertainable now whether Tatachar actually joined duty at the District Police Superin tendent s Office on the 11th May 1912 and how long he was wor ing there or where he was working, and that no orders are for coming as regards his position between 26th August when his pr vilege leave actually expired and 6th September the date on which he reported himself for duty at the District Police Offi after his Privilege leave viz 10 days. From the 6th Septembe to 25th November 1912 he worked in the District Police Office and was transferred to the Stamp Manufactory on the 26th No vember

(k) A Last Pay Certificate was issued by the District

Superintendent of Police but this was not attached to the bill of the Stamp Manufactory

Having stated the facts of the case the irregularities and neglect of rules which it discloses may now be noticed

(a) In the first place the entertainment of a new hand without ascertaining his antecedents is open to objection

(b) His entertainment in the Manufactory when he held an appointment in the Police Department without a formal transfer is objectionable Such a transfer would be necessary even if he was on leave without allowances as alleged by the Supervisor

(c) If as stated by the Supervisor it was only in November 1912 that he became aware of Tatachar having been borne on the Police Department when he applied for the transfer of his services it was incumbent on him to have made known to the Police authorities the fact of his name having been borne on the establishment of the Manufactory from May 1912 under a misapprehension and immediately arranged for the fund of the amount irregularly drawn in the Manufactory

(d) Neither the bill for May 1912 nor that for November 12 is supported by a last pay certificate The District Superintendent of Police issued a Last Pay Certificate and why it was not attached to the bill requires investigation

(e) If what was stated by the Store-keeper as reported by Mr.Yates in his D C letter of the 24th Instant to Mr Satyaraj Chetty is true there has been a case of forgery.

(f) The retention of a Mutchi and Book-binder at home is open to objection

(g) In the bills of the Nelamangala Taluk the allowance of Rs.2/- due to Drill Instructors has been drawn on behalf of Tatachar from 11th May to July 1912 The circumstances which the Drill Instructor's allowance was drawn for the period during which he was detached for duty at Bangalore have to be ascertained A reference will be made to the

Inspector General of Police on the subject

(h) The pay bills of the Manufactory for May June July August and September 1912 have been signed by Mr Ramachendra Mudaliar who acted for Mr.Yates from the 26th May to the 25th September 1912 and the bills for October and November are signed by Mr Yates Under article 63 of the Civil Account Code these officers are personally responsible for the salary drawn on the bills and it may be ascertained whether they had satisfied themselves that it was disbursed to the proper persons before they certified to that effect in the bills

4 The next point to be considered is whether Tatachar actually received the pay drawn in his name in the bills of the Manufactory The statements of the Supervisor and Tatachar are conflicting and the matter requires further departmental investigation

5 I have forwarded a copy of this letter to the Secretary to Government for the information of Government

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant,

Sd J.S.Chakravarti

Comptroller

"Copy"

A Balakrishnan

Examiner
Record Department
Comptroller's Office

Letter No 6670/Confl.5 dated 20th April 1914

From the Comptroller Mysore Government the Super intendent Stamp Manufactor

I have the honor to bring to your notice that in the Establishment Pay Bill of the District Reserve Police Bangalore, for November 1912 one Thathachar a 1st class constable is shewn as having been transferred to the Stamp Manufactory from the 26th November 1912 he having been relieved in the Reserve Police on the forenoon of that date An examination of the Establishment Pay bills of the Stamp Manufactory however shews that one bearing the same name has been drawing pay as acting Mutchi from 25th May 1912.

I request you will be so good as to inform me if the per son who drew pay as acting Mutchi from 25th May 1912 to 25th November 1912 and the one that has been drawing it from the 26th November 1912 are one and the same individual and if so to intimate the circumstances in which pay has been drawn on his behalf prior to 26th November 1912 when in the establishment pay bill of the Bangalore Reserve Police it is stated that he was transferred to the Stamp Manufactory on the 26th November 1912. Whether a Last Pay Certificate was not granted by the Superintendent of Police may also be intimated and if it was why it was not attached to the first bill in which his pay was drawn may be stated I shall feel obliged by your causing a careful and confidential enquiry to be made and send me your report as early as practicable with the Last Pay Certificate granted by the Superintendent of Police

Letter No 6669/Confl.6 dated the 20th 1914 from the Comptroller Mysore Government to the Deputy Commissioner Police Department Bangalore District

In reference to the Establishment Pay Bill of the Bangalore District Reserve Police for November 1912 I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to inform me if a Last Pay Certificate was granted to Thatha char, 1st class constable, who, as stated in the bill was transferred to the Stamp manufactory on the 26th November 1912

Further request you will be so good as to cause a careful and confidential enquiry to be made as to where the constable was actually working from January 12th to 26th November 1912 and send your report as early as practicable The information is required in connection with the investigation of a claim preferred in the establishment bills of the Stamp manufactory whereto the said Thathachar was transferred. It appears that pay for some months previous to 26th November was being drawn both in the Police Department and the Stamp Factory

Balakrishnan

Superintendent
Records Section
Comptroller's Office

SRS

Letter dated 21st April 1914 from the Superintendent Government Press, Bangalore, to the Comptroller, Mysore Government

In reply to your letter No 3620/Confl.5 dated 29th April certain matters in the Stamp Factory have th honor to state that have made enquiries and find that Thathachar referred to therein is evidently one and the same person and that his name appears in the acquittance roll between May 1912 and November 1912 Without making any further statements for the momen am of opinion th there appears to be sufficient ground for making an immediate enquiry into the matter Thathachar says he was transferred from the Bangalore Reserve Police Force in November 1912, and that he holds a passport to that effec

I have taken personal charge of the acquittance rol as instructed

If desired come and see you upon the matter

A Balakrishnaiah

Superintendent
Records Section
Comptroller's Office

Letter No.6697/Confl 7 dated 21st April 1914 from the Comptroller to the Government of Mysore Bangalore. to the Superintendent Stamp Manufactory Bangalor

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date marked "Confidential" re Thathachar, a Mutchi of the Stamp Manufactory on whose behalf pay has been drawn in the Establishment Pay Bills of both the Manufactory and the Police Department in the Bangalore District for the period from May to November 1913 I request you will have an enquiry made on the following points

(1) What were the circumstances in which pay was drawn in the Establishment bills of both the anufactory and the Police Department for the same period

(2) Whether the ~~superior~~ Supervisor of the Manufactory in immediate charge of the establishment was not aware of Thathachar having drawn pay for the period referred to in the Police Establishment bills and if he was , what explanation has he to offer?

(3) Was not a last pay certificate produced when Thathachar drew pay for the first time in the Manufactory and if it was produced why was it not attached to the bill? If it was not produced how was pay drawn on his behalf without it?

(4) Are there any papers in your office relative ~~both~~ to the transfer of Thathachar? Who applied for the transfer and what were the -- circumstances in which it was given effect to? Did the Police authorities agree ~~both~~ to the transfer ~~of~~ if it was applied for by your office, or was it accepted by your office if it was applied for by the former?

(5) Has Thathachar any explanation to offer for having drawn pay in both the establishments If pay has been disbursed to him in the two establishment

The question is being dealt with by my assistant Mr. Satya raj Chetty, the audit of the establishment bills being in his

charge and he will furnish you with any further particulars you may require to help you in conducting the enquiry

A Balakrishnan

Superintendent of Records

Comptroller's Office

Bangalore

C.V.

SRS

Letter No.2 dated 23rd April 1914 from the Superintendent Government Press Bangalore to the Comptroller Mysore Government, Bangalore

In reply to your letter No 6697/Confl dated 21st April re Thathachar, a mutchi of the Stamp Factory and requesting an enquiry to be made on certain points, I enclose two statements, one from the Supervisor of the Stamp Factory replying to questions 1,2,3 and 4 and the other from Thathachar replying to question No 5 in your letter

"Copy"

A Balakrishnan

Superintendent,
Record Department,
Comptroller's Office

SRS

23-4-14

Bangalore

To

The Superintendent

Stamp Manufactory

Sir

I beg to state below my explanation to the queries asked for in your memo dated 22nd instant

1 and 2 Thathachar was entertained as acting Mutchi in 25th May 1912 when he was entertained I was not aware that he was in active Police duty as he used to come to now and then from the Mofussil Taluks and complain of the hardship and tardy promotion. I told him to come to me and if I find him useful I would try and get him an appointment and he came to my service in May As a vacancy occurred in May 1912, I requested the Superinten ent to appoint him to the vacancy of acting mutchi and book-binder

I first became aware of the said Thathachar having been borne in the Police Department in November and immediately I made reference to the District Super intendent of Police to have his services transferred Vi docket No 77 dated 22nd November 1912.

3 No last pay certificate was obtained and the omission is due to my ignorance of the rules in force a thought the man being of inferior service and on long leave without allowances did not require the production of a last pay certificate

4. The references relating to the transfer of Thathachar to the Stamp Manufactory are in office.

Lastly I beg to be excused for any action done ignorance and the excess amount may be made to be refunded

refunded from the party at fault.

I beg to remain

Yours obedient servant

(Sd.) A. Srinivasa Iyengar

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A Bala Krishnan

Superintendent
Records Section
Comptroller's Office
SRS

To

The Superintendent of

Government Stamp Manufactory

Bangalore

Most Respected Sir

As per your order of 22nd instant requiring me to gave an explanation as desired by the Comptroller Mysore Government regarding the pay said to have been drawn by me in both the establishments of the Police department and of the Stamp Manufactory I beg to state as follows

I have received no amount from the Stamp Manufactory Office as pay or otherwise for any period before 26th November 1912 and this is the date of my transfer to this office from the Police department

I have received my pay in the Police department itself up to 26th November 1912

I beg to remain

Most Respected Sir

Your s most obedient servant,

Sd C.T.Thatachar

Counter

Government Stamp Manufactory

Bangalore

Dated 22nd April 1914

Bangalore

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Abdul Khan Saheb

Superintendent
Record Department
Comptroller's Office

Letter No. R.6237 dated 25th April 1914 from the Deputy Commissioner Bangalore District to the Comptroller Mysore Government Bangalor

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter No 6669/Confl 6 dated the 20th instant regarding Tathachar 1st class constable and to state in reply as follows

1 A last pay certificate was issued to him from the District Police Superintendent s Office to the effect that he drew pay till the 25th November 1912 inclusive Vide copy of certificate (counterfoil) preserved in the District Police Superintendent s Office and now furnished by him

2 As regards the point raised in para 2 of your letter as to where the Constable was actually working during 1912 firstly it has to be stated that the constable appears to have been actually working at Nelamangla from the 1st January to 10th May 1912 On the 7th May 1912 there was a requisition from the acting District Superintendent of Police Mr R Shama Rao to the Amildar of Nelamangla askin the latter to send the constable for work in the District Police Superintendent s Office Vide requisition No 170 dated 7th May 1912 registered in the From Register of the Taluk. He was actually relieved of his duties at the Taluk on the 10th May 1912 (Vide Amildar's No.440 dated 13th May 1912 to the District Superintendent of Police) But it is not ascertainable now whether the constable actually joined duty at the District Police Superintendent Office on the 11th May 1912 and how long he was working there or where he was working. However his pay was used

to be received from the Nelamangala Taluk and disbursed to him at the District Police Superintendent s Office by Head Quarter Inspector Raja Rao on receipts signed by him. These receipts have been affixed to the Taluk acquittance roll. This state of affairs seems to have continued for the months of May June, July and August 1912 The constable was during this period granted privilege leave of absence for a month by Mr. Shama Rao From the 26th July 1912 Thumboo Chetty joined office on the 27th July He was transferred by Mr Thumboo Chet from the Taluk Police to the District Police Office on the 6th September 1912, which is the date on which he reported himself to the District Police Office for duty after his privilege leave. No orders are forthcoming as regards his position between 26th August when his privilege leave actually expired 6th September From the 6th Septemb he continued to work in the District Police Office till the 25th November 1912. He was transferred to the Office of the Stamp Superintendent on the 26th November 1912. A Police Passport and a last pay certificate were issued to him.

"C O P Y "

Superintendent,
Records Section,
Comptroller's Office.

S.A.M.

G. R. S. 261

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Serial No 2

Diary No. of letter replied to 4412

No. H 5148

2-5-1914

General and Revenue Secretaria

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To

The Commissioner of

Stamps in Mysore

Date of issue

Signed by

I am directed to invite reference to letter no 6926/confl. 8 addressed to you by Dy 29.4.14 ~~from~~ the Comptroller ~~to the~~ ~~State~~ ~~to your address~~ ~~reporting~~ a case of serious irregularity which has occurred in the Government Stamp Manufactory and to request you to be so good as to submit a very early report after completing the necessary enquiries in the matter

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From

The Commissioner of Stamps
in Mysore
Bangalore

To

The Secretary to the Govt
of H. H. The Maharaja of
Mysore
Bangalore

Dated 5th may 1914

Despatched

Received

General No. 601
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Enclosure No.

Replying to G. No. FP 5148
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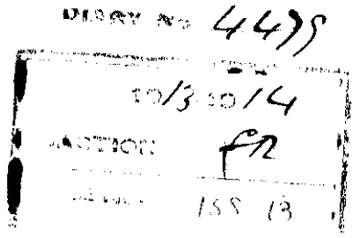
dated 2-5-14, States that Subject
is receiving his attention and that
a very early report will be submitted
for the consideration of Govt after
the necessary enquiries are made.



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No. 60

Office of the Commissioner of Stamp
in Mysore
Dated Bangalore, 5th May 1914

From

P. Raghavendra Rao Esq B.A B.L
Commissioner of Stamps in Mysore
Bangalore

To

D.M. Narasinga Rao Esq., B.A B.L.
Offg: Secretary to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore
General and Revenue Departments

Sir,

In reply to your letter No Fl 5148/S R 158-13-2 dated 2nd May 1914 calling for a very early report on the serious irregularity which has occurred in the Government Stamp Manufac tory have the honor to state that the subject is receiving my attention and that after necessary enquiries are made a very early report will be submitted for the consideration of Government.

I have the honor to be
Sir
our most obedient servant

P. Raghavendra Rao
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Commissioner of Stamps

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Office of the Stamp Commissioner in Mysore

Bangalore dated 30th May 1914.

From

P Raghavendra Rao Esq. B.A. B.L

Stamp Commissioner in Mysore

Bangalore

To

D.M. Narasinga Rao Esq B.A. B.L.

Offg Secretary to Govt General & Revenue Depts

Sir

In continuation of my letter No. 601 Dated 5—1914 I have now the honor to submit for the information and consideration of Government my report about the departmental enquiry into the serious irregularity in the office of the Stamp Manufactory brought to notice by the Comptroller to Government in his letter No. 6926 Sm 8 Dated 29.4.14 / 1.5.14

2. On 24th April 1914 I received a confidential D O (No.165) from the Comptroller, and within an hour of its receipt I went and called on that Officer at the Public Offices and had a detailed talk with him in the matter. His Assistant, Mr. Satyaraj Chetty who had worked up the case was present and it was arranged that he should call on me at my Office the following afternoon

3 The following afternoon Mr Satyaraj Chetty called, as arranged and showed me the pencil notes made by him After having thought over matter for some time and gone through the pencil notes it appeared to me that the immediate action suggested by the Comptroller to be taken was not advisable and that it would be better to defer it till further information was obtained Mr Satyaraj Chetty agreed with this view of mine and I requested him to mention it to the Comptroller and to let me know in case he (the Comptroller) wished to speak to me again about it

4 o message was received by me meantime from the Comptroller,

and on 4th May 1914 I received my first communication in the matter from the Government to which I sent an interim reply also on the 5th idem

5 On 8th May 1914 I called on the Comptroller and with his kind permission took Mr. Satyaraj Chetty with me to the Stamp Manufactory and began my departmental enquiry. The enquiry was held in the Offic room of the Superintendent of the Manufactory and the Superintendent was present throughout. Mr Satyaraj Chetty was present when it began but, he had to leave soon after owing to some inconvenience

6. The individuals examined by me were only the Supervisor (A.Sr nivasiengar) the Store-keeper (C.Ramaseshaier) the Mutchi (C.T Ta tachar) and a temporary clerk (T.Theagaraja Chetty) as it appeared t me that it would serve no useful purpose to examine the Superintenden or any other of the Manufactory employees As I have attached their depositions (in original) hereto I shall not go over the points in detail here. Suffice to add that the Supervisor made a great effort to prevaricate if not to be reticent and that it required some diplomacy to get him to speak out though in the end he admitted his culpability and expressed contrition for what had happened The Store keeper and the Mutchi gave their depositions in quite a straight forw manner though the former was inclined to be very nervous if not almos hysterical

7. Next on 14th May 1914 I continued the enquiry with the objec of giving the Supervisor the chance of controverting the damaging sta ments made against him by the Store-keeper and the Mutchi and the re- sult of it was that while every attempt on the part of the Supervisor to break down their evidence proved utterly futile the Store-keeper and the Mutchi held out to the statements made by them previously and would not budge an inch from their ground particularly the latter.

8. Further to this, I called at the Office of the District Superi tendent of Police on 22nd May 1914 and with the permission of the Depu Commissioner the District Superintendent of Police shewed me the registers I wished to see and also gave me such information as I asked

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30.5.14

him. Every word that the Mutchi had said with reference to his pre vious connection with the Police Department was borne out by the evidence of the Registers and it appeared that there could be littl doubt that what he had stated was the unvarnished truth

9 The impression created in my mind is that the Supervisor has proved himself to be unreliable and untrustworthy and that as such, he is unfit to hold his present responsible charge It is a matter for consideration whether he can be continued in se ice after what has transpired; but the Government may possibly take a lenient view of the case and provide for him in some other Department If however the Government hold the view that he is not to be continued in service I would recommend his being called upon to submit his resignation and the resignation being accepted. My only reason for making this recom mendation is, to save his father,(Rajakaryapravina Rao Bahadur Mr. A. Rangaswami Iyengar) in his grey hairs particularly in the face of the fact that he was one of the State s most prominent officers inhis time. The Store-keeper is under order of transfer to the Stamp Depart ment and this may be given effect to a warning that if there should be anything against him in future it might go hard with his pension for he is well advanced in years. As regards the Mutchi he is in my opinion best reverted to his former Department viz the Police

10. With regard to the Superintendent of the Stamp Manufactory and his share of responsibility in the irregularity now brought to light, all I can say is that Mr Yates like most technical men is wanting in administrative powers and that he takes much on trust being so very straight and simple himself He cannot however be absolved of all res- ponsibility and as the Head of the Office he must come in for his share of the censure. But Mr. Yates is already feeling the situation most keenly having realised how the responsibility was overlooked and I may be permitted to observe that what he has already suffered in mind seems to be sufficient punishment for him But as regards the Assistant Superintendent of the Press who acted as Superintendent of the Manufac tory

Reed 30.5.11.

during the absence on leave of Mr Yates I am not prepared to make a similar statement As a local man and as an experienced Government official he should have realised his responsibilities and given a better account of himself

It has taken some time for me to submit this report but it was inevitable as I thought that it was best for me to do all the enquiry myself and I had to get through it without any prejudice to the daily routine work which has been fairly heavy during the period In the interests of all concerned a very early disposal of the matter is necessary and as such I solicit the very early orders of Government in the case

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant

P Raghunatha Rao
30.5.14
Stamp Commissioner in
Mysore

Name [illegible]

Signature [illegible]

Parish [illegible]

I joined [illegible] in 1902 [illegible] appointed in 1904. I have been occupying the office since 1905 before Lloyds change. Monthly the bills were made out by the accountant initialled by the storekeeper and signed by [illegible] in charge. Since the bills have been made out by the accountant, initialled by the Storekeeper & then by me before being signed by the [illegible]. There are two vouchers in the office & the pay bills are generally made out by the Second [illegible]. My predecessor in office [illegible] allowed an [illegible] orderly and I continued the practice. The orderly has been changed from time to time. I have had [illegible] men of all communities. Under recommendation on behalf of one Subrahmanya Iyer who kept an [illegible] for [illegible] years & was [illegible] Subrahmanya Iyer [illegible] for employment. Subrahmanya Iyer [illegible] & was put off employment. I [illegible] Subrahmanya & he told me that he was not in [illegible] strength. That he was employed since [illegible] but in [illegible] Subrahmanya told me that he [illegible] the Police [illegible]. The practice of disbursing salaries in this office is for the Storekeeper to make the disbursements himself in the presence of the orderly who brings the money from the Treasury. The orderly counts the money & hands it over to the individual whose name is called out by the Storekeeper. The individual then receives payment & affixes his signature in token of payment at the time or before he [illegible] his hands are dirty. If the actual payee is not present the disbursement is made later by the storekeeper & the amount being kept meanwhile in the safe. In cases of doubt or difficult storekeeper obtains [illegible] communications. As I generally [illegible] me.

any last of all I do glance that the other Entries
bring the case they carefully I drew the
last one & it for the necessary cheque from
that Satachan's services were entertained in the
withdrawn her service as a personal orderly Satachan
living near Office the duty about 9 pm daily
my till about 3 pm the hours he himself & came
over about 30 every morning worked till about
& then got off In the Evening he came about 7 30
and left about 3 Office hours are for an
5 pm in working days with out interval on
this arrangement continues for about fifteen
In November 1912 Satachan came & complained
the Police Constable wanted him to rejoin
that depot & asked me to request the Police
every limitation of his services to the duty
at a communication to issue to the Police saying
posting limitation of his services till 20 January 1913.
not been from the Police I sent no Peon orders
& them. But he continued the evil time. In August
those him come & work on the off the another
at my house both morning & evening since 18th
he has not been working in my house at all
since, 1912 & January 1913 his salary was drawn from the
& was disbursed to him generally at my house
the office hours & sometimes he drew the salary
up at the office I never carried my own salary
& it was only an office orderly that brought it
man used to bring Satachan his salary
there were breaks in the periods of employment between
August (or September) 1913 I ~~deducted~~ paid him
salary from my own pocket since then there has
no break & his salary is being disbursed to him at
fy I did not know that it was necessary point
pro forma to get a cost free certificate from Satachan

Reel 5 W

from the Police when his salary was raised to Rs 60 per mensem in May 1912 to a disbursed him the monthly salary is a literate man. His intelligent & smart behaviour was drawn on the duty Party like disbursed them although he was no formal license issued from the Police he knew 1912 I put up the report to the Police Commissioner for license of Jahadar

the form was issued over his signature

Although Jahadar he was my orderly I used to indent the services of another new Jagram At present my orderly is a Mohammedan can talk in Urdu I have my own discretion his behaviour presumed and now I have with me (Abdul Rahim) I realise and must say when as regards Jahadar was unsatisfactory and he must be I feel sorry for it but have received the diary when it was brought to my house by the office orderly I say to his credit he never complained to me of the non receipt his pay I also know that Jahadar received his salary during his period only from the duty from own Police

Hussain Reza
8/5/14

Before me
Peel
Bt Lieut & S M

Name Ramaswamy

Designation Store keeper Stamps factory

Service Thave put in 28 years service joined as Record keeper in Madras Salary office then was transfered as Accountant in the Commissariat Chikballapur from there I was taken on as an Accountant the Stock branch of the Stamps depot in 1895 or 1896 was given my present post of Store keeper five years ago and have not been confirmed in it the monthly pay bills are made out by the Accountant generally I stand under the subordinate the Superviser and office they have been initialled by the Superviser I check them and put them before the Depot for Scrutiny then the bills are sent to the Treasury & Cashes the disbursement made in the presence of the Superviser I ~~~~ calling out the names men when their name sign in the acquittance roll receive their salary & leave In the case of absentees their salaries are made up into individual packets names noted on them & secures in the office drawer Safe till disbursement are made the Superviser keeps the safe key In Tabachari case he does not receive the Salary himself disbursements June 12 He did not come in person receive his Salary in any months between June Dec 12 Tatachari & Abdul Rahim where the Superviser ordered during his period the Salaries of the Superviser & his two orderlies used to be made into one packet and handed over by me to the Superviser in addition to the above two he had other men (Jawara Venkatappa Pelly, Lakshminarayanappa Mantha Reddy) The Salary packet used to be locked up by Superviser in one of his own boxes (private) which was taken to his house by an office orderly In the case of such orderlies as Tatachari & Abdul Rahim no signatures were taken in the acquittance roll at the time of disbursement I have (Tatachari) signatures thereon me in the acquittance

accused boy When & by Whom their signature were
ed I had with the aid of Jatachans name before his
transfer to the factory in May 1912 and I knew
him when he came to the office
with the Supervisors Office the never staid
than 10 or 15 Minutes to the best of my
& belief When I made the Statement to the Boy
Daniel in the presence of the Supt of that I had
the signature of Jatachans name was becau
Supt gave me to understand that if such an
Scheme made by me the Pentachen of the Gen
ernment Retired officers would be saved I d
her being Known & examined the Supts confidential
3 of 26 4 14 to the Assistant Comptroller
To Registers of the Mfg office may be examin
them are Missing these refer to Correspondin
Police dept about transfer of Jatachans Service

C Ramadhier

8-5-14

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The Pans Lids after been made out by the
Second accott under instructions from the Supervisor
used to come to me for check before they were initialled
by the Supervisor the Cashier in charge of which room
in charge is depositor in the Iron Safe Keys of which
Remain with me during office hours after office hour
the Safe Keys used to be deposited in an almirah the k
of which used to be taken away by either the Supt
the Supervisor in their private Kit bags

C Ramadhier
14-5-14

Spare me
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M.S.M.

Name
Description
Address

7 Date ...

Kumperan Counter Stamps Mfg

I have been in service from 1907 when I joined the Police as 3rd class Constable in Chennapatna Taluq after being there for a little over one year was transferred to Kelamangala as 3rd class Constable after stopping at Kelamangala for a few months I was sent to Bangalore where I stayed for a year then I came back Kelamangala early in 1910 was promoted as Huttagan Sub Inspector some time later was reverted as 2nd Inspector I was at Kelamangala till 1912 when I came to Bangalore under orders from the Commissioner to be sent on special duty was at this for about two or three months the special duty was to watch the part cash dealings of C.P. Cab and certain low characters I am not aware why was selected for this special duty the Special duty was periods to explain for was granted one month privilege leave of absence On expiry of the leave I reported myself reporting to the D.S.P. when I was told that I was permanently transferred D.S.P. office continued to do duty here till was transferred to the Stamp Mfg in Nov 1912 when I was transferred permanently to the D.S.P.'s office it was as 1st class Constable to which grade I had been reverted for want of vacancy I came to know to the Supervisor Thiru M.K. Ramadas Iyengar his brother who S.I.O. Doddaballapur Division and I have known the Supervisor from the year 1909 from then to Nov 1912 I have been was stationed some at the D.S.P.'s office during the period I worked from the Supervisor at his house during all time I got my meals there this continued till 28 April 1914 the Depot I was there under the Stamp Reappointment Rolls from then to Nov 1912 & I do not know who the Subadar mentioned in it Pay was never disbursed to me from the Mfg during this period The Supervisor was however providing me with clothes & helping me towards house expenses whenever I asked him for it I never visited the Mfg between May & Nov 12 = I had been representing to the Supervisor that my prospect-

used in Nov 12

kept here how he asked me of his work
I told him that if a vacancy of my services could
I would be willing to work in the Mfg Dept
after a passport for the U.S.P. If then learning
purpose that he was leaving I reported
the Mfg for duty As my sailing was discontinued
gradually afterwards Nov 12 I thought that there
was break in my service till me when then was
by the Ins Dept the Asst Inspt & the Commissioner of my
the 4 partnership title of the Mfg firm some months
Since my name in Mexico I have seen the Signatures
against my name in the Co-partnership for
subsequent to Nov 1912 and they are not in my
I remember getting a Last Pass Certificate from the
Consul and leaving over to the Supervisor at
Nov 1912 me Passport was given to me first
Last pass certificate The Passport was returned some
persons as not known while the Last Pass Certificate
by him in May 1912 the Supervisor knew was
active Police Duty from Sept to Nov 12 I used to
Keep with me at the U.S.P.'s Office the Supervisor
used to be fetched to the Mfg by a man
to carry the time I worked at the U.S.P.'s Dakeinde
on till from at his
the Interval during the period time been
worked at the Supervisors house always

G. J. Thompson
8 5 1914

Before me.
[illegible]
N. S. Ins.

I was known to the Supervisors father Mr Ramaswamy Iyengar
I spoke to the Supervisor for his first time when I came
Here from Melamangalam in May 1912. After two years there
another promotion I worked at the Supervisors house
Labo during from about 7 A.M. till 11 A.M. then I left
after placing the Supervisors food on the table
did not do this regularly as at times the breakfast
used to be taken up to the room in the house
I used to work there daily from 7 to 9 P.M. I ~~left~~ used
words for the Supervisor since he have been here in 1912
I did not receive any ~~Any~~ Monthly pay from the Supervisor
employer ~~any~~ his wages for the time worked except
monthly salary ~~was~~ was fed given clothes
threads sums of money here and again. Not only have
taken of recommendations sent on my behalf. But there was
personal recommendation also made to my Superior
Office Dept Quarter Inspector of D.S.P. & the D.G.P
& the Supervisor of his Relatives & persons came to take
to the Head Inspector of Mines & D.S.P

6 T Thayanaa

Before me
Peel
10. 5. 10

Name
Designation
Address

Thungaraja Chetty
Temporary Clerk Stamp Office

I joined service on July 1910 as Temporary Clerk but in 1911 I worked as Copyist in the Office of the Secretary Branch VI as Temporary Clerk in May I was ordered to leave that Branch in the Form V to Registers but I am not in sole charge of them I have been the To Register marked from 3 11 12 to 28 11 12 the Subsidiary Stamps in hand are as in the Treasury Balance sheet of 27. 11. 12 & the Comptroller is in Accountants Handwriting When I saw the Register 10 or 8 days ago the pages were missing and the book was complete About 7 or 8 days ago the Store keeper came & told me that some pages were missing and I learnt that it was so the Store keeper told not only me but the other Clerk & others that the pages were gone from the delivery Book which I am produce I can be seen that in the missing pages of the To Registers there were two entries 77 & 78 of 23 11 12 25 11 12 respectively addressed to the Asst Superintendent of Police. Bangalore the entries in the delivery Book are in my handwriting and I cannot say if the corresponding entries in the To Register are also in mine but if the pages are shown I can identify the handwriting I [redacted] remember seeing the two letters & they were about Tobacco

T Thungaraja Chetty

Before me

Asst
8.8.14

When I declared on 5 5 14 that I had made the admission ~~[illegible]~~ (during the temperance agitation) to a certain ~~[illegible]~~ name at the instance of the by Supt what I meant was that a piece of general advice had been given to ~~[illegible]~~ by Supt ~~[illegible]~~ and that I made the statement ~~[illegible]~~ in consequence of it and that I was not influenced in any way by the by Supt who knew that the ~~[illegible]~~ he stated in addition to the by Supt the Supt also spoke at length to us and advised us to make a clean breast of the whole circumstances to ask for pardon

Ramaswami
4-5-14

Before me

Reid
14.5.14

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.
(SR)

the 191

Date of issue 27 7 1914

Signed by Mr. D. M. Narasinga Rao

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore

READ—

Report no 635 dated 20th May 1914 from the Stamps Commissioner in Mysore submitting the records of the departmental enquiry held by him

ORDER THEREON—No.

into a serious irregularity that occurred in the Office of the Stamps Manufactory

Order thereon No H 347-498
27. 7. 1914

The facts of the case are as follows

On the 25th May 1912, the

over.

SUBJECT.

Supt of the Stamps Manufactory
approved of the appointment of
one Tatachar Constable of the
Velamangalam taluk police
doing duty in the Dist Police Office
at Bangalore as Mutcha and
Book Bounder in the Stamps Manu
& supplied by A Srinivasa Iyengar
the Superintendent of the Manufactory
Upto the 25th Nov 1912 Tatachar
was borne on both the esta
blishments and the Acquittance
rolls concerned show that
Rupees disbursed on both the
places Tatachar was formally
transferred to the Stamps Manuf
only on the 25th Nov 1912 on a
reference made at the instance
of the Superintendent

2 The irregularity was noticed
the Comptroller Office on the
18th April 1914 and in the
course of the departmental
enquiry which followed Tata
char denied the receipt of pay
as Mutcha and Book Bounder,
and also the genuineness
of the alleged signatures on

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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

(Continuation sheet draft form.)

the acquittance rolls of the Stamp Manufactory He stated that prior to the 26th November he had been receiving only occasional presents from Sreenivasa Iyengar for domestic services rendered to him

3 The serious charge against Sreenivasa Iyengar that he misappropriated the amount in question for his own purposes appears the improbable But the enquiry shows that Sreenivasa Iyengar knew of Tatachari's after employment in the Police Dept during this period and that therefore his explanation that he believed Tatachari to be on leave all the time is quite unacceptable The statements of Tatachari and Sreenivasa Iyengar read together make it clear that Tatachari while in the Police office was taken up to do private work for the Superintendent in his odd hours and that instead of remunerating Tatachari for such services out of his private funds the Superintendent employed the objectionable expedient of entering his

As a Matter of the Office

& On a full consideration of all the facts Govt ~~account~~ are pleased to direct ~~the following conclusion~~

that ~~(i)~~ Sriniwasa Gargars ~~con~~ be dismissed from his duct technically amounts to post as Supervisor ~~and~~ misappropriation of public funds He shall also refund to Govt Rs 72 for which dismissal from duty service would by no means be which has been practically misappropriated by a severe punishment and him it is accordingly hereby ordered.

(ii) ~~It~~ is unexpedient to Tatachars Service retain Tatachar in his present ~~Act is unexpedient~~ place, ~~it~~ he should be either sent ~~to retain Tatachar~~ in the back to Mr Police Dept or Stamp Manufactory ~~he~~ if he is not wanted there should be dispensed with He from a place in the Manufactory his former pay may be revealed to the Police Dept ~~th~~ of on a consideration of his case, the Inspr

(iii) As the ~~He~~ conduct of Strekeeper & Rameswaram in the present case sees ~~not~~ free from suspicion ~~that~~ he should be warned that ~~if~~ of there be anything against him in future his claims to pension would be deemed ~~appeal~~ general ~~Considers that there~~ ~~is~~ no obj ~~=~~ to this Course

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To The Comr of Stamps in Mysore
The S.P. of Police in Mysore
Comptroller

GPB—15,000—18-11-11

ERS
30 7/14

Dear By the office copy
~~[illegible]~~
3d ~~[illegible]~~ G.O no
72 347-49 dated 27th
July 1914 (regarding
irregularities in the
Stamp Manufactory)
contains the clerical
26th Nov 1914" for
26th Nov 1912 the
last sentence of the
3d paragraph of
~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~
~~[illegible]~~ I am
to request that the
error of repeal

in the copy sent
to you may be kindly
rectified the correct
date entered as
in the calendar

Yours sincerely

To

[illegible]

To

(1) P. Raghavendrachar Esq
Cuddapah

(2) C. Srikantaiyar Esq
Kolar

(3) Chakravarthi Esq
Cuddapah

D.O. No. FC 437-9

General and Revenue Secretariat

Bangalore 30th July 1914

Dear Sir

The office copy of Government Order No.Fl.347-9 dated 27th July 1914 (regarding irregularities in the tamp Manufactory) contains the clerical error "26th November 1914" instead of "26th November 1912" in the last sentence of the 3rd paragraph I am to request that the error if repeated in the copy issued to you may be indl rectified and the correct date entered as indicated above

Yours sincerely

Sd N Rama Rau

(1) P. Raghavendra Rau Esq A B L
Commissioner of Stamps in Mysore

(2) C Srikantesware Iyer Esquire B A B L
Inspector General of Police in Mysore

(3) T S Chakravarti Esq M A F R A S
Comptroller to Government

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Diary No. of letter replied to

No. H 357
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General and Revenue Secretariat

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Dear Sir

I am directed to return herewith the 2 Pay Abstract Books of the Stamp Manufactory received with your D.O. letter No 6408/1 6 1914 Kindly acknowledge the receipt of the books

Yours Sincerely

Signed by

01 Pay Abstract Book of Stamp Manufactory from July 1908

(2) Pay Abstract Book of Stamp Manufactory from August 1912

Dft
Bm
29/7

To

P Raghavendra Rao Esq, BA BL
Comm of Stamps in Mysore.

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SUBJECT